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In re Application of:

Ken R. POWELL

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING DISCOUNTS USING PORTABLE UNITS CARRIED BY

CUSTOMERS

Assignee: SoftCard Systems, Inc.

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:



Group Art Unit: 3629

Examiner: R. S. WOO

### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant respectfully submits copies of the documents cited on the attached list, which the Examiner may consider to be relevant to the examination of this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with a Request for Continuing Examination (RCE) and, to Applicant's knowledge, before a subsequent mailing of a first Office Action on the merits or Notice of Allowance.

The listed documents include certain documents cited in the litigation SoftCard Systems, Inc., v. Target Corporation and Visa U.S.A. Inc, Civil Action File No. 1:03-CV-3585-ODE, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division, alleging infringement of U.S. Patent No. 6,067,526, issued from the parent application of the instant application; U.S. Patent No. 6,012,038, issued from the grand parent application of the instant application; and U.S. Patent No. 5,890,135, which incorporates by

reference the grand parent application of the instant application, Application Serial No. 08/603,482.

The undersigned attorney has not studied the listed documents to determine their relevance. He has seen, however, that the listed document DEFENDANTS VISA U.S.A. INC.'S AND TARGET CORPORATION'S MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF SOFTCARD SYSTEMS, INC.'S MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION. (document 54 filed with the court clerk's office). According to page 18 of document 54, the undersigned attorney "had deceptive intent . . . thereby rendering the entirety of the '526 Patent - including Claim 7 - invalid."

The undersigned attorney has also seen the listed document DEFENDANTS VISA U.S.A. INC.'S AND TARGET CORPORATION'S INVALIDITY CONTENTIONS. (document 69). According to page 1 of document 69, "The identification of prior art anticipating or rendering certain claim limitations obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 102/103 is based on SoftCard System, Inc's ("SoftCard") preliminary interpretation of these claim limitations as gleaned from SoftCard's infringement contentions, and does not waive any ambiguities or deficiencies identified under 35 U.S.C. Section 112."

Document 69 also states, *inter alia*, "See the Prior Art Invalidity Charts submitted herewith in Appendices I, II and III," and "See the § 112 Chart submitted herewith in Appendix IV." For the convenience of the Examiner, Applicant submits copies of APPENDIX I TO DEFENDANTS' INVALIDITY CONTENTIONS (U.S. PATENT 6,012,038), and APPENDIX III TO DEFENDANTS' INVALIDITY CONTENTIONS (U.S. PATENT NO. 6,607,526), as well as documents cited therein.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider each listed document and evidence that consideration on the list.

If the Examiner wishes further materials from this litigation, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 703-684-4840.

Furthermore, a list of other documents filed with the court, as well as the documents themselves, may be viewed at the U.S. District Court web site www.gand.uscourts.gov/Pacer.htm.

This Information Disclosure statement is not a representation that a search has

been made or that no better art exists. This Information Disclosure statement is not an admission that any of the listed documents are Prior Art, or that Applicant necessarily agrees with any statements in the listed documents.

If there are any other fees required for consideration of this Statement that are not enclosed, please charge such fees to the undersigned attorney's Deposit Account No. 10-0077.

Respectfully submitted,

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